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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Defense Logistics Standard Systems (DLSS) and Year 2000 (Y2K)

This policy has been prepared to assist the Military Services, Defense and non-Defense Agencies in addressing the integration of their Y2K system "fixes" into the DLSS, formerly the Military Standard Systems (MILS). The Department of Defense (DoD) fully understands the requirements set forth in Office of Management (OMB) and other governmental directives mandating the use of a four digit year. However, in relation to the DLSS/MILS, this Department has determined that the current year and date formats employed by DLSS/MILS, e.g., MILSTRIP, MILSTRAP, etc., provides a viable, working alternative to the four digit year.

The current DLSS/MILS processes are the backbone of our legacy logistics business operations. The DLSS/MILS are working well with clearly defined interfaces which have already been determined to be Y2K compliant according to compliance definitions contained in the DoD Y2K Management Plan. Sufficient measures to ensure continued operations of our logistics processes have been taken to make the DLSS/MILS a viable operating platform for the foreseeable future. Therefore, it is the intent of this Department to use and maintain the DLSS/MILS until the ANSI X12 transaction, which formats four digit years, are implemented.

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